

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 4/20/04.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-4.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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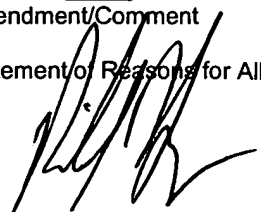
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____


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DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-4 are allowed.

Reasons for allowance

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Ogawa (USPN 6567078) teaches a handwriting communication system, a handwriting input device and a handwriting display device used in the system, which can communicate by handwriting among a plurality of computers connected via a network. The communication system includes a handwriting input device which is provided at a transmitting side for inputting the handwriting into a transmitting side computer, and a handwriting display device which is provided at a receiving side for displaying the handwriting based on information transmitted from the transmitting side to a receiving side computer (see the abstract)

Kagayama et al. (USPN 5861877) teach an electric pen is used as a data input/output device; the electric pen can be used in conjunction with an external data processor, such as a compact portable electric notebook. Hand written characters inputted by the electric pen is processed in the external data processor (see the abstract).

Regarding claim 1, prior art does not teach an electronic pen device for a computer platform, the computer platform comprising a display unit and an input-sensing unit, allowing a user to input handwriting data and/or graphs on the input-sensing unit via the electronic pen device to the computer platform, the electronic pen device comprising: a micro-processing unit

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(MPU); a storage unit coupled to the MPU, for storing a plurality of color-corresponding codes; an input unit electrically coupled to the MPU, for allowing the user to set a display color for the handwriting data and/or graphs to be displayed on the display unit, and generating a signal corresponding to the set display color; and a signal output module located at one end of the electronic pen device and electrically coupled to the MPU and the input-sensing unit of the computer platform, for receiving the signal from the input unit to allow the MPU to search one of the color-corresponding codes from the storage unit corresponding to the signal from the input unit, such that the MPU sends out a color signal corresponding to the searched color-corresponding code to the signal output module that further transmits the color signal to the input-sensing unit of the computer platform, and the computer platform enables the display unit to display the user's handwriting data and/or graphs in the set display color according to the color signal.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Abbas I. Abdulsalam whose telephone number is 571-272-7685. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 9:00 A.M. to 5:30 P.M.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Richard Hjerpe, can be reached on 571-272-7691. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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